MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mr. Seppala at 6:16 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Seppala, Schiffer, Jolly, Awad, Hubley Del Castilho, Rosenblatt, Laus, Maglione, DeShields

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

Consent Calendar

No action taken.

Committee Appointments

VOTED unanimously to appoint the following members:

- Aaron Hayden, Planning Board Representative to the Comprehensive Planning Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2005.
- Nicki Robb, Conservation Commission Representative to the Comprehensive Planning Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2006.
- Stan Ziomek, Leisure Services and Supplemental Education Commission Representative to the Comprehensive Planning Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2005.

VOTED unanimously to appoint Wendy Kohler, Amherst Regional School Committee Representative to the 250th Anniversary Celebration Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 2006.

Approve Minutes

VOTED unanimously to approve the Select Board minutes of February 23, 2004, as amended.

Pioneer Valley Transportation Authority

No action taken.

March 30, 2004 Election - Polling Hours

VOTED unanimously to extend the March 30, 2004 Election polling hours to 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Override Ballot Questions

VOTED unanimously to amend the action taken on February 23, 2004 on the levy limit override ballot questions on the March 30, 2004 Town ballot as follows:

Shall the Town of Amherst be allowed to assess an additional \$2,000,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding the Town's operating and capital expenses for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand and four.

Shall the Town of Amherst be allowed to assess an additional \$2,500,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding the Town's operating and capital expenses for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand and four.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Taxi Driver License

VOTED unanimously to approve the Taxi Driver License of Kim M. DeShields, 26 Rolling Green, Amherst, for Persian, Inc. d/b/a Red Cab, 38 Justice Drive, Amherst (Manager: Houshang Ansarifar).

Renew Seasonal Alcohol License

VOTED unanimously to approve the seasonal Wine and Malt Restaurant License for Cherry Hill Golf Course, 323 Montague Road (Manager: Daniel Engstrom), for April 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Question period

- 1. Will the Select Board place on the warrant two petition articles that were submitted 2 -3 hours after the deadline.
- 2. Urge the Select Board to pursue acquisition of Andrews-LaVerdiere parcel.
- 3. Summary judgment should be filed in Andrews-LaVerdiere.

Town Manager's Report

The Town Manager reported on the FY 05 budget process and Boltwood Walk trash and recycling.

Annual Report

Ms. Schiffer reported that the Fiscal Year 2003 Annual Report has been completed.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn at 8:16 p.m.

Approved at the March 8 Select Board Meeting.